

**Town of Blue Hill  
Select Board Meeting  
Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Minutes**

**Called the meeting to order at 5:30pm**

1. **Quorum and meeting attendance-** E. Best; J. Dow; S. Miller (remote); S. Dooley; B. Smythe; N. Nadeau, Town Administrator; B. Farnham, Code Enforcement Officer  
Jeff Milliken; Matt Harrington; Bennet Konesni
2. **Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes of May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023** – B. Smythe moved to approve the minutes as distributed. S. Dooley seconded. Approved 4-0-1. S. Miller abstained.
3. **Public Comment-** No public comment.

**Business:**

1. **USDA RD Grant and Loan authorization** – J. Dow moved to authorize the Town Administrator, Deputy Clerk and the Chair as necessary to sign documents for the RD 400-1: Equal Opportunity and RD 400-4: Assurance Agreement. Butler seconded. 5-0  
  
S. Miller asked that the Town receive assurance from Olver that they understand the assurance that was given and that they will commit to those assurances and if they can not be met, to let the Town know.  
  
J. Dow moved to authorize the signing of forms 1780-12 USDA grant agreement by the Town Administrator and Deputy Clerk on behalf of the Town. S. Dooley seconded. Approved 5-0.  
  
S. Dooley moved to authorize the execution of RUS Bulletin 1780-27 and the resolution. B. Smythe seconded. Approved 5-0.  
  
B. Smythe moved that the Select Board of the Town of Blue Hill approves and accepts in all respects, a proposed loan of \$2,750,000 at an interest rate not to exceed 2.625% for a period of twenty-eight (28) years, from USDA Rural Development for the purpose of FY22 WWTF Upgrades Project in accordance with Loan Resolution (Public Bodies) RUS Bulletin 1780-27, and a proposed grant in the amount of \$1,250,00 in accordance with Grant Agreement RUS Bulletin 1780-12 and the Resolution of the Board of Selectmen to authorize the Chairman and the Clerk of the Board to execute and deliver all documents, and to take any and all actions necessary to carry into effect such financing, including, but not limited to, Form RD 400-1, Equal Opportunity Agreement, and Form RD 400-4, Assurance Agreement. J. Dow seconded. Approved 5-0.
2. **Authorize N. Nadeau to invest funds** – J. Dow moved to authorize N. Nadeau to move \$1,000,000 plus the interest earnings back into the Town's checking account at BHBT and to invest the other \$1,000,000 into another 3-month CD with a rate not less than 4.52629% APR at The First. S. Dooley seconded. Approved 5-0.
3. **Liquor license application for event: 'Bagaduce Music Lending Library'** – Bennet Konesni the new executive director of Bagaduce Music presented the Welcome Summer Shindig fundraiser. The band Hot Suppers from Belfast will be the entertainment at the event.  
  
S. Dooley moved to approve the application. J. Dow seconded. Approved 5-0.

4. **Property Tax assessment supplemental action** – B. Smythe moved to accept the accessor’s recommendation. S. Dooley seconded. Failed 0-5. Tabled until clearer explanation of math breakdown is available from assessors.
5. **Authorize Engagement Letter from Archipelago Law Firm** – B. Smythe moved to authorize N. Nadeau to sign the engagement letter from Archipelago Law Firm to represent the Board of Appeals. S. Dooley seconded. Approved 5-0.
6. **Sign resolution for Olver Associates for NBRC funding application**- S. Miller moved to approve the resolution as distributed with a correction to a spelling error. B. Smythe seconded. Approved 5-0.

S. Miller requested that the Town receive prior notice of any binding documents from town staff.

**B. Smythe moved to enter executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § 405 (6)(A) - Personnel Matter. J. Dow seconded. Approved 5-0.**

**The Board exited executive session at 6:47pm.**

#### Other Business

##### **Updates/Reminders**

- a. Select Board Meeting – Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm
- b. Comprehensive Plan Subcommittee – Thursday June 8<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30pm
- c.

**Warrant signatures-** Warrant signed.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:39pm**

**Commented [BF1]:** Please add the time the meeting adjourned